Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the captioned application.

Claims 1-39 (Cancelled)

40. (New) A compound having the formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & \text{HO} & \\ & \text{N} & \text{CH}_3 \\ & \text{R}^{2a} \\ & \text{R}^{2b} \end{array}$$

a prodrug, N-oxide, addition salt, quaternary amine, metal complex or stereochemically isomeric form thereof wherein

R is C₁₋₆alkyl substituted with one or with two substituents each independently selected from the group consisting of trifluoromethyl, NR^{7a}R^{7b}, Ar², hydroxy, C₁₋₄alkoxy, Ar²(CH₂)_noxy, hydroxycarbonyl, aminocarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl, Ar²(CH₂)_ncarbonyl, aminocarbonyloxy, C₁₋₄alkylcarbonyloxy, Ar²carbonyloxy, mono- or di(C₁₋₄alkyl)aminocarbonyl, aminosulfonyl, mono- or di(C₁₋₄alkyl)aminosulfonyl or a heterocycle selected from the group consisting of pyrrolidinyl, imidazolyl, piperidinyl, homopiperidinyl, piperazinyl, dioxolanyl, dioxanyl, di-C₁₋₆alkyl-dioxolanyl and pyridyl, wherein each of said heterocycle may optionally be substituted with with one or two radicals selected from oxo and C₁₋₆alkyl;

 R^{7a} is hydrogen, C_{1-6} alkyl, formyl or C_{1-6} alkylcarbonyl;

R^{7b} is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl, formyl or C₁₋₆alkylcarbonyl;

- one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is cyano $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, cyano $C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkenyl, $Ar^3C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, $(Ar^3)(OH)C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Het- $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, $N(R^{8a}R^{8b})C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, $Ar^3C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkenyl, Het- $C_{2\text{-}6}$ alkenyl, Ar^3 amino $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Het-amino $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Het-sulfonyl $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Ar^3 thio $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Het-thio $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Ar^3 sulfonyl $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Het-sulfonyl $C_{1\text{-}6}$ alkyl, Ar^3 aminocarbonyl, Het-aminocarbonyl, $Ar^3(CH_2)_n$ aminocarbonyl, Het-($CH_2)_n$ aminocarbonyl, Ar^3 carbonylamino, Het-carbonylamino, $Ar^3(CH_2)_n$ carbonylamino, Het- $(CH_2)_n$ carbonylamino, $Ar^3(CH_2)_n$ amino; and the other one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is hydrogen;
- R^{8a} is Ar^3 , C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyl, cyano C_{1-6} alkyl, amino C_{1-6} alkyl, mono-or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyl, Ar^3C_{1-6} alkyl, Het- C_{1-6} alkyl, aminocarbonyl- C_{1-6} -alkyl, hydrogen, or carboxyl- C_{1-6} -alkyl;
- R^{8b} is Ar^3 , C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyl, cyano C_{1-6} alkyl, amino C_{1-6} alkyl, mono-or di(C_{1-6} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyl, Ar^3C_{1-6} alkyl, hydrogen, or Het- C_{1-6} alkyl;
- Ar³ is phenyl, naphthalenyl, 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-naphthalenyl or indanyl, wherein said phenyl, naphtyl, 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-naphthalenyl or indanyl may optionally and each individually be substituted with 1 to 4 substituents selected from the group consisting of halo, hydroxy, mercapto, amino, cyano, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₂₋₆alkenyl, C₂₋₆alkynyl, Ar¹, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, polyhaloC₁₋₆alkyl, aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, cyanoC₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, C₁₋₆alkylthio, Ar¹-oxy, Ar¹-thio, Ar¹-amino, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonyl-C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxycarbonyl-C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxycarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkylcarbonyl, mono- or di(C₁₋₄alkyl)amino, mono- or di(C₁₋₄alkyl)aminocarbonyl, mono- or di(C₁₋₄alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₄alkylcarbonylamino and C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl;
- Ar¹ is phenyl or phenyl substituted with 1 to 4 substituents consisting of halo, hydroxy, C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, polyhaloC₁₋₆alkyl, and C₁₋₆alkyloxy;
- Ar² is phenyl or phenyl substituted with 1 to 4 substituents selected from the group consisting of halo, hydroxy, amino, cyano, C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, polyhalo C_{1-6} alkyl, amino C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{1-6} alkyloxy, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonyl, hydroxycarbonyl, C_{1-4} alkylcarbonyl, mono- or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino, mono- or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)aminocarbonyl, mono- or di(C_{1-4} alkyl)amino C_{1-6} alkyl and C_{1-4} alkoxycarbonyl;

and

Het is a heterocycle selected from the group consisting of tetrahydrofuranyl, tetrahydrothienyl, dioxanyl, dioxolanyl, pyrrolidinyl, pyrrolidinonyl, furanyl, thienyl, pyrrolyl, thiazolyl, oxazolyl, imidazolyl, isothiazolyl, pyrazolyl, isoxazolyl,

oxadiazolyl, thiadiazolyl, piperidinyl, homopiperidinyl, piperazinyl, morpholinyl, pyridyl, pyrazinyl, pyridazinyl, pyrimidinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, quinolinyl, isoquinolinyl, benzodioxanyl, benzodioxolyl, indolinyl, and indolyl; each of said heterocycles may optionally be substituted with oxo, amino, Ar^1 , C_{1-4} alkyl, amino C_{1-4} 4alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} 4alkyl, Ar^1C_{1-4} 4alkyl, mono- or di(C_{1-6} 4alkyl)amino C_{1-6} 4alkyl, mono- or di(C_{1-6} 4alkyl)amino, or with two C_{1-4} 4alkyl radicals.

- 41. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is selected from cyanoC₁₋₆alkyl, cyanoC₂₋₆alkenyl, Ar³C₁₋₆alkyl, (Ar³)(OH)C₁₋₆alkyl, Het-C₁₋₆alkyl, N(R^{8a}R^{8b})C₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³C₂₋₆alkenyl, Het-C₂₋₆alkenyl, Ar³aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Het-aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Het-C₁₋₆alkylaminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³thioC₁₋₆alkyl, Het-thioC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³sulfonylC₁₋₆alkyl, Het-sulfonylC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³aminocarbonyl, Het-aminocarbonyl, Ar³(CH₂)_naminocarbonyl, Het-(CH₂)_naminocarbonyl, Ar³carbonylamino, Ar³(CH₂)_namino; and the other one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is hydrogen.
- 42. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is selected from cyanoC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³C₁₋₆alkyl, Het-C₁₋₆alkyl, N(R^{8a}R^{8b})C₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³C₂₋₆alkenyl, Ar³aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Het-aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Het-C₁₋₆alkylaminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³thioC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³aminocarbonyl, Het-aminocarbonyl, Ar³(CH₂)_naminocarbonyl, Het-(CH₂)_naminocarbonyl; and the other one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is hydrogen.
- 43. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is selected from $N(R^{8a}R^{8b})C_{1-6}$ alkyl, Ar^3 amino C_{1-6} alkyl; and the other one of R^{2a} and R^{2b} is hydrogen.
- 44. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein R is C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with Ar^2 or hydroxy, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with two hydroxy radicals, or C_{1-6} alkyl substituted with di- C_{1-6} alkyl-dioxolanyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl, piperazinyl, 4- C_{1-6} alkyl-piperazinyl.
- 45. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein R^{8a} is Ar³, C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, C₁₋₆alkyl, cyanoC₁₋₆alkyl, aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, mono-or di(C₁₋₆alkyl)aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, Ar³C₁₋₆alkyl, Het-C₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl-C₁₋₆alkyl, or carboxyl-C₁₋₆-alkyl; and R^{8b} is Ar³.

- 46. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein R^{8a} is C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, Ar^3C_{1-6} alkyl, Het- C_{1-6} alkyl, or aminocarbonyl- C_{1-6} -alkyl; and R^{8b} is C_{1-6} alkyl, hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl, Ar^3C_{1-6} alkyl, or Het- C_{1-6} alkyl.
- 47. (New) A compound according to claim 40, wherein Ar³ is phenyl optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, hydroxy, mercapto, amino, cyano, C₁₋₆alkyl, C₂₋₆alkenyl, C₂₋₆alkynyl, Ar¹, hydroxyC₁₋₆alkyl, CF₃, aminoC₁₋₆alkyl, cyanoC₁₋₆alkyl, aminocarbonyl, C₁₋₆alkyloxy, C₁₋₆alkylthio, Ar¹-oxy, Ar¹-thio, Ar¹-amino, aminosulfonyl, aminocarbonyl-C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxycarbonyl-C₁₋₆alkyl, hydroxycarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkylcarbonyl, C₁₋₄alkylcarbonyl amino or C₁₋₄alkoxycarbonyl.
- 48. (New) A compound according to claim 47, wherein Ar^3 is phenyl substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, C_{1-6} alkyl or hydroxy C_{1-6} alkyl.
- 49. (New) A compound according to claim 47, wherein Ar³ is phenyl substituted with two substituents which are methyl and hydroxy.
- 50. (New) A compound according to claim 49, in which the R, R^{2a} and R^{2b} substituents are as follows:

R	R ^{2b}	R ^{2a}
	Н	CH ₃
H ₃ C _N NNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN	Н	CH ₃
но	Н	N CH ₃
○N~~~	CH ₃	Н
	Н	-CH ₂ -OH
H ₃ C N	Н	-CH ₂ -OH

R	R ^{2b}	R ^{2a}
H ₃ C _N NNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNNN	CH ₃	Н
но	CH ₃	Н
H ₃ C ₀	Н	-CH ₂ -OH
	-CH ₂ -OH	Н
H ₃ C N	-CH ₂ -OH	Н
H ₃ C O	Н	N CH ₃
	-CH₂-OH	Н
	CH ₃	Н
	Н	CH ₃
	Н	-CH₂-OH
H ₃ C ₀	-CH ₂ -OH	Н
H ₃ C ₁ O	Н	CH ₃
H ₃ C ₀	CH ₃	Н
	Н	ZH CI

51. (New) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, and as active ingredient a therapeutically effective amount of a compound as claimed in claim 40.